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DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
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MOTOR CARRIER SERVICES BRANCH

IMPLEMENTATION OF UCR

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Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to provide Motor Carrier Permit Operations Unit staff with the latest information regarding Unified Carrier Registration Agreement requirements for motor carriers operating both intrastate and interstate (combined) in California.

Background

The Single State Registration System (SSRS) was repealed effective January 1, 2007, and was to be replaced by Unified Carrier Registration (UCR). UCR is a new federal program that has been under development and has been implemented. Implementation was September 10, 2007; the anticipated date for the start of enforcement is November 15, 2007.

UCR applicants may register on line. The Unified Carrier Registration Center is a portal that allows carriers to file and pay for their registration, the website is www.ucr.in.gov where the application and instructions as well as the UCRA agreement may be obtained.

Information

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) is providing informational material regarding registration and selecting a base state and a mailing list of California carriers now subject to UCR. MCP Program and Policy Development Branch will oversee mailing this information, which is expected to take place by September 21, 2007.

California is not participating in UCR for 2007 but will participate in 2008. For 2007, California applicants must choose as their base state a participating state where they have a facility. If they do not have a facility in a participating state they must select one of the following states as their base state:

COLORADO	NEW MEXICO	MONTANA	NORTH DAKOTA
IDAHO	SOUTH DAKOTA	UTAH	WASHINGTON

Neither fees nor requirements for 2008 are available at this time. UCR information is available at the FMCSA website at http://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/. Also, up to date information will be posted under "Hot Topics" at http://www.dmv.ca.gov/mcs/mcs.htm as it becomes available.

Carriers subject to UCR operate interstate only or on an intra/interstate (combined carrier) basis. The following entities are now subject to UCR:

- Private carrier
- For-hire carrier
- Carrier of exempt commodities
- Freight forwarder
- Leasing company
- Broker

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Information, continued

UCR fees for carriers are based on fleet size including trailers. Brokers and leasing companies pay \$39 per company. The fee brackets are as follows:

FEES UNDER THE UNIFIED CARRIER REGISTRATION PLAN AND AGREEMENT FOR REGISTRATION YEAR 2007

Bracket	Fleet size Including trailers	Fee per company for exempt or nonexempt motor carrier or motor private carrier	Fee per company for broker, leasing company, or freight forwarder
B1	0–2	\$ 39	\$39
B2	3-5	116	
B3	6-20	231	
B4	21-100	806	
B5	101-1,000	3,840	
B6	1,001 and above	37,500	

There is no UCR credential to be carried in the vehicle. Verification of compliance can be made on line at http://safer.fmcsa.dot.gov/CompanySnapshot.aspx. Continue to direct callers to the FMCSA website for information on UCR requirements. It should be emphasized that implementation dates are only recommended, as some states may not be able to begin UCR registration on September 10th, and some states may choose to delay enforcement. Details and additional information will be provided as it becomes available.

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